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### Price of the Times-Dispatch.

The Times-Dispatch has recently received a number of complaints fro friends and patrons that certain news towns and cities of the State were les of the paper. vithout the authority and against the wishes of The Times-Dispatch. The price of the Dally Times-Dispatch to the thorized to charge a greater

tablished their right to fix a price of 5c for the Dally and Sunday, but never more

## Vindication of the Court System.

The confession of J. Samuel McCue, yesterday was hanged at Charlettesville for wife-murder, is a splendld vindication of the Virginia court system and Virginia justice.

his innocence. He had the benefit of the best legal counsel. He had the benefit of every protection and technicality of His lawyers made a pathetic affectionate caresses upon him. All posthis man. The evidence was purely to the crime being the prisoner at the and he calling upon God to witness that he-had not stained his hands with the blood of his wife. But the members of the jury were sworn to do their duty; they heard the evidence; they heard the pleading; they witnessed the pathetic ne between father and children; but to their mind the evidence was concluwithout a dissenting voice they

The case was appealed to the Supreme of the State, and McCue's eminent lawyers taxed their ingenuity to upset the verdict and get a new trial. All and it must be confessed that the lawvers made a strong plea. But the court d that there was no irregularity which in any way prejudiced the pris-

An appeal was then made to the Govfinally coming into his presence and through her tears begging that he spare the life of her father. But the Governer could find no warrant of law and no reasonable plea for overruling the

not saved from the gallows, and there were many persons in Virginia who be-lieved, or at least feared, that in his

At the time of making the concordat execution there would be a terrible mis- with Pope Plus VII. the French governcarriage of justice.

gone, when McCue saw that his doom dred and thirty-five historic bishapries. of three ministers of the Gospel and re-quested them to make public that he maintenance of the bishops and clergy. did not wish to leave this world with sus- This was done by the government agreepicion resting upon any human being ing to appropriate annually a sum, which other than himself, that he alone was now amounts to forty million of francs, responsible for the deed, impelled to it in lieu of the confiscated church prop-

the extreme penalty of the law and his reference to the government, as it was spirit has gone to the high court of hat specifically agreed that the Emporor, or resort to be judged by the Ruler of the Universe. We pass over the enormity of Pope should institute the bishops and his crime of the sin which led up to their successors. It seems clear that it, of the double life that he led. But Napoleon, whether he represented the it is at least to his credit that he left behind him this confession, which clears up all doubt, which relieves the minds of the jurors, the court officials, the prosecuting attorneys and all connected with this case and establishes the justice and righteousness of the verdict. The trial, conviction and execution of this self-con-fessed criminal will have a wholesome and widespread influence. It will strengthen the court system; it will

understanding and even warfare, only to arrive at last at an open rupture of all strengthen public confidence in the courts; it will tend to prevent lyoch law; it will be a solemn warning to all men that one the Roman Catholic Church, and prac-ctime leads to another, and that the tically the French government has a very Greene, of Savannah, Ga., Montreal and mages of sin is death

The Pardoning Power.

The pressure brought to bear on ernor Montague to pardon or respite Mc-Cue brings into very clear relief not only the popular misapprehension, but BUSINESS OFFICE, NO. 916 EAST MAIN
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the possible abuse of the powers of the powers of the powers of the series. The Covernor well said to some of the patitioners that the Executive is not a judicial officer, not proven guilty, in the face of the sentence and judgment of the court of

prevent an obvious miscarriage of Jus-tice, and in all such cases the Governor The DAILY TIMES-DISPATCH is sold should, and doubtless will, be guided by the opinions of those who have adminiscruel for the Governor to deny to a conrespite would in truth be a breach of

been created to relieve the Executive of onus and strain of such a task Whether or not such a board be created ers for respite, and is under the solemn duty not to interfere with the course of the law when it has been fairly and properly administered.

Charlottesville has been through a terri-

It is not necessary to recall the har doomed prisoner slip by. The intermatters, and does not correspondingly and harassing requests for interview

most public spectacle of the most trugic and solemn event possible.

out strengthening the example of Charoners sent at once to the State peniten tlary for safe keeping and execution, and soon as possible.

Nothing could be more impressive in gen to be taken away by State officials and mysteriously lost in the death cham

After a stormy existence of one hur dred and four years, the concordat beoner's case or affected the essentials and day of February on which it was origindeclared that the verdict must stand. ally entered into.

In 1801 Napoleon, seeing the loosening for commutation of sentence, the of all social, moral ties as a result of the expulsion of all religious teaching by the and a goodly French Revolution, opened negotiations they have been caught. with Pope Plus VII., and finally, in February, 1801, executed the concordat which vier. The first article of the concordat no reasonable plea for overruling the sets forth that the French government recognizes that the great majority of its citizens are of Roman Catholic faith, and that statement is certainly true to-Bible in hand, he declared that an in- day. The intervening century, however, nocent man would be hanged if he was has wrought a great change in the attitude of the Church and State towards

ment had confiscated all the church prop-But at the last, when all hope was erty and had done away with one huascaled, he stated in the presence in meeting this situation, therefore, it by an evil power beyond his control, and erty, and by the Pope creating sixty-five that he recognized his sentence as just, new bishoprics. The new bishops, how-McCue is dead and gone. He has paid ever, could not be appointed without branch of the civil government. Equally clear has been the attitude of the church in holding itself subject to other than temporal authority. The result of this different point of view has been an ever widening breach between church and state, which has gone through many and various stages of mutual distrust, mis-

> former relations.
> Diplomatically France is at war with difficult problem to solve in primary edu- London, Eng

pelled, but there seems no reason to be-lieve that the French people, acting through their representatives, desire to express, or even feel, any real hostility to the Christian religion in general, or that phase of it which is taught by the Roman Catholic Church.

The effect of this action on the prac-Interest, and will furnish much of suggestion and proof, both to those who de and those who do not believe in any union between church and state.

The Norfolk Public Ledger announces that Messrs. J. V. Fivash and Walter A. and Harvey L. Wilson, and that the pape hereafter will be conducted under the published the Public Ledger for twenty public spirit in journalism. It is

mechanical force of the establishment. model afternoon newspaper. They are paper men, and are quite capable of ful-

The Jamestown Exposition is now practically assured, the House Committee on Industrial Arts and Expositions having true that the recommendation carries it the provision that the sum of

Jumestown Exposition Company and our prospects. Indeed, it is not too much to congratulate all Virginia, for we know that this exposition will promote the interests of all sections and the State

It is gratifying to know that the North German Lloyd Steamship Company au-Galveston, reducing the price from \$42.50 to \$37.50. This action is taken, we are told,

course of which he said that he meant and Chicago, as he wanted to see the

farms. Negro labor is no longer in ample supply; no longer reliable. The South be supplied or the agricultural interests next thing to be done is for each Southern State to have an immigration agent abroad, who will point out the advan-tages offered in this section and induce the foreigners to sail direct to Southern

All the members of the Legislature of Illinois are shocked over the discovery of great corruption in that body, some being shocked over the corruption itself

Up to the hour of going to press it has not been reported that the Hon. Thomas C. Platt, of New York, has lost any sleep or missed a meal on account of the effort of the Hon, C. W. Post to have the said Pintt expelled from he United States Senate.

Mrs. Alta Dunham, a New York helress has been sent to an asylum for saying that she was an official representative of President Roosevelt. Mr. But Master son says there is nothing so foolish about his that he can see,

press of Japan have taken to writing poetry ought to have been suppressed by the official censor. It is feared that it may cause a revulsion of popular feeling in favor of Russin,

A Pittsburg judge has just decided that kissing is not a crime. This decision stamps Pittsburg as hopolessly behind the times, and it is not thought that it will have any effect on the prevalence of osculation.

A young man of Cross River, N. Y., took it into his head one morning to be come a benedict, and by night had found a wife and married her. Hoch will be jealous when he hears this. A banker has been unearthed out in Co-

lumbus, O., who says that he kot good security on money which he loaned to the celebrated Cassie. The dime museum people are said to be after him. Poles are fleeing from Sosnovice to

Kattowitz. If there's anything at all in a name, this appears to be a plain case of out of the frying-pan into the fire.

It looks now as if Uncle Sam might shortly expect a call from those well

# THE LATEST BOOKS UNDER BRIEF REVIEW

MYSTORIOUS MR. SABIN BY E. Phillips Oppenholm. 27 pm. \$1.50. Little, Grown and Company, Boston.

Mr. Oppenholm certainly understands the construction of an ingenious and dramatic plot, and the weaving of a thrilling title. In this particular instance, he has not at all billied as in referring to Mr. Sabin his his title as "mysterious," as every reader, upon laying this book down, will cheerfully admit. We felt the mystery from the first moment we made his acquaintance. The identity of that beautiful young lady, his niece, was also withheid from us until far along in the book, and the running down of her secret and that of her strange uncle was to us one of the most interesting things about a thoroughly readable and interesting story.

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The material which Mr. Oppenheim used with gratifying effect in his novel of last fall. The Betrayer, he has again employed here. In the belief that England is really not in position to withstand invasion by a foreign power, should that at any time he attempted, a distinguished gentleman—the Admiral the Earl of Deninghom—interests himself in the minute study of his country's naval armament and coast defenses. The papers embodying the fruits of this study are guarded with the most elaborate precautions. Nous the less, it becomes evident that some mysterious influence is at work to get at these valuable documents, and with tather more than indifferent success. We hope it is not giving the render too much of a foretaste of delight to blint that the mysterious Mr. Sabin was, in some way connected with the persistent and wonderfully clover attempts to purion the admiral's papers. The plot in which this gentleman was industriously engaged is so giganic as almost to take away one's breath. It flyolved, in brief, the precipitation of wat between England and Germann; and, incidentally, as the price of the information to the latter country of England's naval weaknesses, the restoration of the monarchy in France. These interests, surely, are large enough to warrant the interest and attention of anybody, however apathetically inclined toward modern fetton. Sabin's manner was magnificent, and he played his eards well, apparently to inevitable success. A compact had been duly executed with the German government, and confident that he held the winning position, the Kuiser had offered a gratuitous and unmistakable insult to England. War was all but declared. Suddenly Mr. Sabin throw up his hands, broke to smithereens his deal with the envoy of the fatheriand, and definitely and utterly quit the game.

This unexplected action was not due to the fact that the why conspirator had wearled of his undertaking, o

the fact that the wil compilator in wearled of his undertaking, or because he was not in position to carry it through; but simply because a power which he did not dare to disobey had stepped in and called him off. What that power was we absolutely decline to say. It will become quite plain to the inquisitor upon a perusal of the chapter enlitled "The Men Who Sayed England." Suffice it to say, that Mr. Sabin, acknowledging himself defeated, retired to a life of quiet in America—a. country contemptuously described as "politically unborn." The after echoes of an adventions life are not, however, so easily got rid of, and thinself mixed up in soveral complications devisable only to, an author of unusual and fertile originality. But at the last we leave him, with a bag of golf-clubs we leave him, with a bag of golf-clubs.

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n his hand, comfortably settled in a penceful haven.

With the disposition made of Sabin's exquisite niece and of Lord Waffenden, nobody, we imagine, will be inclined to quarrel. For our, part we were completely satisfied. There is in the story much of intribue, adventure and diplomacy which we have failed to give even a lint of here Our attitude towards it, as a whole, however, may be summed up in the opinion that few readers, having begun it, will be so callous as to lay it down unfinished

thur H. Vesey. 203 pages, \$1.50. Appleton and Company, New York.

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This is a well written and exciting story of the quest of some royal jewels of marvelous behavior and yalue, long lost to the world on the part of an American young man of leisure, a dealer in antiquities, and an Italian duke. Two of these three were logether in the search, and, the other one wasn't. The clue to the 'servines hidden away in a curious old automatic clock, whose various scenes told lainly, if you were smart enough to read them aright, just where to look for the gems. And this was the task that Dick Hume and Mr. St. Hilary on a summer's day propounded to themselves.

The previous career of the jewels had been both long and full of thrils. Suffice it to say that a clever goldsmith, by a ruse, had obtained possession of them from the Doge of Venice, and hidden force. mer's day propounded to themselves. The previous career of the jewels had been both long and full of thrills. Suffice it to say that a clever goldsmitt, by a ruse, had obtained possession of them from the Dogo of Venice, and hidden them away for good in a very safe place indeed. Unwilling to disclose to anybody the secret of the hidding blace, he conceived the idea of tucking the information away in the mechanism of a wonderful clock, so that the knowledge might be daily given out to a world not capable of understanding it. After two years' work, having completed the cleck, be noisoned his son, who alone shared two years' work, having completed the cleck, be noisoned his son, who alone shared the secret with him, committed suicide and left the watch as a haffling legucy to a dullard public. All that was long ago; the clock now comes to light again, reaches the eye of a gentleman well versed in Venetian hisfory and with a penchant for gens, who capable to have a try at them, and so the tine starts incrity off. There is active and the starts incrity off. There is active in and happening a pienty. For one thing, the duke, who had owned the clock, gothern inking of what is afout and institutes a search on his own account. It even makes a special trip to St. Petersburg to read up on automatic clocks in the Imperial Library, but his the and once discovered the underlying principle, progressed pretty rupidly, till they found after may difficulties they found after may difficulties for the paidzeo disparently indicated, they found after may difficulties in the progressed pretty rupidly. The heart world, they found after may difficulties in the process of the book is concerned with the above a foreign progressed pretty rupidly. Ith they finally worked out what appeared to be a foreign progressed pretty rupidly. Ith they finally worked out what appeared to be a foreign progressed pretty rupidly. Ith they finally worked out what appeared to be a foreign progressed pretty rupidly. Ith they finally worked out, and on the wh

THE HOUSE OF HAWLEY. By Elmore Elliott Peake, 341 pp. 41.50. D. Appleton and Company, New York.

The town of Barnwell, in that section of Illinois known as "Egypt," is the scene of Illinois Espit, as described by Mr. Peake, is distinctly Southern. "The people are mostly from the South, and their Southern transplantation of nearly one hundred years, still retain a surprising vitality, "Evening is almost always used for afternoon." Mr. Willt and 'Mr. Tom., 'Miss Mary' and 'Miss Nanee, 'are the charming and useful modes of address for that

Intermediate stage of acquaintance

tween formality and intimacy." Also, the Southern als is accentinated by the fact that the servants are Africans of the old plantation type.
"The House of Hawley" falls into that class of novel which is loss a story of piot than a transcript of a segment of life. Thus, while there is, in a sense, a here and a hereine, it might be said, roughly that the fortunes of no particular person or pewens are followed to the exclusion of the others. Things happen in this book, as they are apt to the exclusion of the others. Things happen in this book, as they are ant to do in actual life, to the many rather than to the few, and without bringing one or two people very conspicuously into the foreground. The book is, therefore, more or less of the sort called realistic, though it is far less dull reading than the apostles of realism are apt to give us. Mr. Peako writes eleverly and well, and while providing no great central incident or incidents, has succeeded in sustaining the reader's interest unflaggingly throughout.

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Norman Culfax loves Christine Hawley, and he marries ler, despite the known opposition of obdurate Major Hawley, her grandfathen. The reconciliation does not take place until Christine is brought almost to death's door at the time of the arrival of the major's little great-grandson. There is a lead mine, which promised well, but ended in disappointment to everybody interested in it. There is a charming young man of the name of Plackney Singleton, who made promises only to break them, and whose L. O. U.'s multiplied just as fast as his frends would let them. There is a sweet young wife by the name of Dhana Singleton, who of the foregoing. And there are other characters and other things which our space forbids us to mention. "The House of Hawley" is interesting yet, normal.

THE TWO CAPTAINS. By Cyrus Townsend Brudy. Published by the Macmillan Company of New York.

Those who read that charming book of Cyrus Townsend Brudys. "For the Freedom of the Sea," will turn engerly to his latest work. In which Bonnparto and Nelson are principal characters.

The book is written with all the vivid power and color in description and characterization of which Brady is pasimaster. Intensely interesting scenes in Provence, Toulon, the Mediternaeun and Egypt hold fast the attention and grip the imagination of the reader.

The nined tower of the Chateau de Bollene makes a picturesque setting in the opening character for the line figure of the Martulis de Vaudemont in its accs. As satins and its jeweled orders as it stood, symbolic of the fallen monarchy of France, confronting the Saus Culoites of the republic led by a yangeful and brutal man of the people. The story of low the Marquis and his grand-daughter, Louise Vaudemont, his grand-daughter, Louise Vaudemont, his grand-daughter, Louise Vaudemont, and two faithful zervanits, Aurore and Brebouch, a Breton, held the Saus Culoties and their commander, Garron, at bay, of the season, Hopere, a boy of lifteen, and two faithful zervanits, Aurore and Brebouch, a Breton, held the Saus Culoties and their commander, Garron, at bay, of how Captain Horatto Nelson, of the good ship "Agamemon," came just in time to Afrent Garron and his cowardly following, and take the Marquis and his party on bostre his ship to Toulon, reveals the prelide to a romance that ends at the very last it the marriage of the young Countess Vaudemont to Robert Macertucy, one of Captain Nelson's galiant lieufannats, whose devotion in the passing of years won the heart and surrender of the fair French woman of noble degree, who yowed in the beginning that site would marry no man, as all she had to order belonged to the service of the man of the book and stirs the mind of the reader by his personality. He figures afterwards frequently and always impressively. Brady's opprehension of one of

making it all in /all, Mr. Brady's possassass much that is to be commended, and much that is to be commended, and much that is the commended, and much that will make it interposition or readers of all classes.

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## February 11th in World's History

Heraclius, Emperor of the Hast, died. He was a son of a governor of Africa, conspired against Phocas, when he baheaded and ascended the throng of Constantinopic.

Itenry III. subscribed the great churier of English liberties, which was witnessed by thirteen bishops, twenty abbots and thirty-two earls and barons.

Amurath II. Emperor of the Ottomans, died. He was the first Turk who used cannon in battle.

Elizabeth of York, Queen of Henry VII. died in childbirth, in the tower of London, on her birthday, aged thirty-six. She married Henry in 1486, by which the antagonist houses of York and Lancaster were united.

An alliance was formed between Henry VIII, of England, and the Emperer

Drake, the navigator, was conducted by the Symerons to a tree, notched with steps, which served them for a watch tower, and from the summit of which he had a view of the two oceans, one of which no English vessel had ever yet navigated, 1889. William and Mary crowned.

The British under Sir Henry Clinton landed in St. John's Island, about thirty miles from Charloston, S. C.

miles from Charleston, S. C. 1793.

Great Britain issued letters of marque and reprisal against France. 1797.

Francis Lightfoot Lee, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and an afficer in the revolution, died at Richmond, Va., aged sixty-three. 1807.

Revolution in St. Domingo in which a profusion of blood was shed. 1815.

Fort Boyer, Mobile, with a garrison of 375, surrendered to 5,000 British under Lambert, with a fleet of thirteen ships of the line and twenty-five smaller vessels. Colonel Lawrence received a wound and seeing that it was useless to contend against such odds, struck his flag. British loss 31, American 10.

Dewitt Clinton died at Albany, N. Y., aged lifty-nine. At the time of his death he was Governor of the State of New York, 1898.

Ferdinand Fabre died.

The Delineator for March.

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## Church Advertising.

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Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,-Let me thank you for your muchneeded collorial on the subject of advertising entertainment in the churches
for Sunday mornings. Churches are suffering and deserve to suffer on account
of that method. It only attracts the
class of people who attend the Saturday
night ten cent shows, and those who love
the artistle in rolgion minus the religion.
And not once in a thousand times will one
carry home with him from church anything more than what he expected to
receive when he came. It is almost the
case over again—'you can't make him dfink.'

Farmyille, Va.

Introduction of Captain Wise.

tive, necurate, full and interesting. Its enter that some people is a certain place. The story health with 128 and inplace. The story health with 128 and inplace of the intervention of the powers in China, the intervention of the powers in China, in 1900. The two volumes are plentifully supplied with maps and illustrations, the intervention of the powers in China, the constitution of the intervention of the intervention of the intervention of the intervention of the powers in the please of the solders of the reverviding of the processing in the obviously the fruit of a deep and wise meditation. The sellion of course, hears on its cover the familiar lessons, and is obviously the fruit of a deep and wise meditation. The sellion of course, hears on its cover the familiar encourage of the processing the continum of Président Roosevett, which no publisher of Mr. Wagner's will ever allow us to forget.

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## The Academy Versus the Pub-

Richmond, Va. Feb. 12, 1905.

The Academy Versus the Public High School.

Editor of The Times-Dispatels.

Sir.—Some i ne ago a prominent educator of the State made the following statement reistive to the threatened exenction of the gandemy in Virginia: 'I am of the opinion,' said he, 'that the high grade private academy will fearmore from the increasing competition of the public high school than from the college, university and technical school.'

Contrary to the spirits of this statement, the aim of this aprile is to prove that the work of the academy is in one respect at least, so widely different from that of the public high school that not withstanding the apparent competition due. I think, to the growing efficiency of the litter, the two will continue to exist side by side in the educational system of the State. The academy will continue to live and flourish primarily because it differs from the public high school so completely in noint of discipline, moral influence and training.

In the academy discipline is of paramount importance. Here boys breather the healthful air of strict, watchful discipline, and always live under the influence of restraining rules; hence a general regularity of habit and systematic training is secured.

Not alone in the class room is their force felt and emphasized, but outside as well. As far as it goes, the public high school is fully as good as the academy, from the standpoint of discipline and general beneficent influence on boys, but from the very nature of the former it cannot go very far.

It is not because their sons will receive better instruction that parents often send them to an academy in preference to a public high school, but because of the discipline and general healtent influence on boys, but from the very nature of the former it cannot go very far.

It is not because their sons will receive better instruction that parents often send them to an academy in preference to a public high school, but because of the discipline and general influence there exerted.

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## Why He Held Out.

Cluster Springs Academy.

A jury in Reno, Nev., disagreed on Jan-uary 20th, after being out sixteen hours on a murder case. They stood 11 to 1 for conviction, The twelfth man said he had received a revelation from God that the defendant was knocent. Every now and then, during the sixteen hours, he knell in a corner and prayed, announcing refer every prayer that the Lord had told him to stand 3rm.

